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Railroad District	Date in June 21	22	23	24	25	26/27	28	29	30
Berlin	9.2	8.9	8.2	7.7	7.0	7.0	7.2	7.0	6.6
Greifswald	7.4	6.9	6.9	6.4	6.6	6.2	6.3	6.2	6.4
Schwerin	6.5	6.0	6.5	6.2	5.8	6.1	5.8	6.1	6.4
Magdeburg	5.0	4.2	4.4	3.8	3.8	4.0	4.5	4.5	4.5
Halle	5.2	4.7	4.6	4.4	4.5	4.2	4.3	4.3	4.2
Erfurt	5.9	5.1	4.5	4.5	4.4	4.3	4.1	4.0	4.0
Dresden	4.7	4.8	4.7	4.5	4.2	3.9	3.7	3.6	3.5
Cottbus	4.2	3.8	3.7	3.6	3.2	3.2	3.4	3.5	3.0
Total	6.0	5.5	5.3	5.0	4.8	4.7	4.8	4.7	4.6

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2. the following coal stock, expressed in tons, were available to the East German railroads between 21 and 30 June 1954:

Date in June	Hard Coal	Brown Coal Briquettes	Shop Coal (in Terms of Briquette Units)
21	50,300	43,900	25,600
22	38,000	43,600	25,700
23	37,400	42,400	25,500
24	36,000	41,600	25,400
25	34,700	40,000	25,200
26/27	33,700	36,900	25,300
28	34,200	37,900	25,400
29	34,000	38,600	25,200
30	31,900	37,200	24,700

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Because of the critical coal situation, the East German railroad administration requested a total of 600,000 tons of coal (briquette units) and a commission was sent to Warsaw to negotiate the increase of hard coal deliveries. On 30 June, coal stocks available for locomotives, including coal dust and raw brown coal, amounted to about 89,000 tons in briquette units.

3. On 21 June, the follow[redacted] dispatched by the Berl[redacted] offices 1 through 7:

a. For some time, raw [redacted] has repeatedly been delivered; the use of this coal caused [redacted] particularly [redacted] Mikulczyce m[redacted] caloric value [redacted] to RBD Berlin.

b. Freight train and shunting locomotives with steel fire boxes are again to be fired with raw brown coal. 3

1 [redacted] Comment. With a total of 4.6 days' requirements of coal [redacted] stocks dropped to the low reached in April 19[redacted] ement of the critical situtation is ~~not~~ to be [redacted] 25X1

2. [redacted] Comment. Stocks of hard coal and brown coal briquettes for use by locomotives amounted to 85,050 tons of briquette units, 56 percent of which were hard coal. The daily coal consumption quota was increased from 18,341 tons in May 1954 to 18,490 tons in June. 25X1

3. [redacted] Comment. The conversion of locomotives from hard coal to brown coal firing had been reported previously. [redacted] 25X1 25X1

4. [redacted] Comment. Possibly Szombierki mine, ~~Bytom~~ (formerly Beuthen). H 38 31 25X1

4 W (= Possibly Szombierki mine, Bytom formerly Beuthen)

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